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On: TEXAS MILK PRODUCTION
UP 15 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . Texas milk production totaled 570 million pounds during February, up 15 percent from last year's production of 495 million pounds. January 2006 production totaled 600 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during February averaged 325,000 head, up 8,000 head from last year and unchanged from the January 2006 number. Production per cow averaged 1,755 pounds during February, 195 pounds more than last year but 90 pounds less than January 2006.

Milk production in the 23 states participating in the monthly survey totaled 13.0 billion pounds, up 5.9 percent from production in these same states in February 2005. January revised production, at 14.0 billion pounds, was up 5.5 percent from January 2005.

Production per cow during February averaged 1,588 pounds, 66 pounds above a year ago. The average number of milk cows in the 23 states was 8.21 million head, 121,000 head more than last year and 118,000 head more than January 2006.